

IN BACKGROUND AGAIN

Rock Island Quiet After Sensational Performance.

REPORTS FROM CAPITAL

Stock Market Hears That Federal Authorities Are Showing Renewed Interest in Possible Regulation of Speculation.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—In the stock market today Rock Island fell into the background, after its highly sensational performance of yesterday. As for the episode itself not much fear was felt of direct consequences for harm from it, since it was so soon over as to have prevented time for the operation of harmful influences. The speculation continued to gain force that reckless and blundering misapplication of manipulative methods were at the bottom of the incident, and the widened indirect consequences likely to result from the episode there was a feeling of anxiety.

The matter having taken on the proportions of a scandal and the stock exchange committee appointed to investigate it being engaged during the day in the work the subject was kept in a conspicuous place in the day's events.

From Washington also came a report that the federal authorities were showing renewed interest in the question of possible regulation of speculative dealings in futures. This was accompanied by intimations of an early submission to congress of the special messages of the President dealing with proposed measures for regulation of corporations.

These considerations, and the continued preparations for the annual money settlements, kept the stock market operations under restraint. This

restraint, while keeping dealings small, did not depress prices. Individual stocks advanced briskly from particular causes not always specified. The copper was strong and was influenced by a rise in the London price of the metal.

The quick sale of the Delaware and Hudson refunding bonds by the bankers who took them from the company made a good impression of the investment situation, although the general bond market continued dull and unresponsive.

Bonds were irregular. Total sales, per value, \$5,770,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

Total sales for the day were 612,500, including: Amalgamated Copper, 33,000; American Smelting, 42,400; Sugar, 100; Anaconda Mining, 30,000; Chesapeake & Ohio, 2,700; Louisville & Nashville, 300; New York Central, 29,700; Norfolk & Western, 200; Rock Island, 112,700; St. Louis & North Western, 1,800; United States Steel, 58,900; Virginia Carolina Chemical, 1,700.

Closing List.

Allis Chalmers pfd	54 1/2
Amalgamated Copper	89 1/2
American Agricultural	48 1/2
American Beet Sugar	46 1/2
American Can pfd	81
American Car & Foundry	71
American Cotton Oil	67 1/2
American Hide & Leather pfd	47 1/2
American Ice Securities	25
American Linseed	17 1/2
American Locomotive	59 1/2
American Smelting & Refining	103 1/2
American Smelting & Refining pfd	111 1/2
American Sugar Refining	122 1/2
American Tel. & Tel.	142 1/2
American Tobacco pfd	96
American Woolen	37
Anaconda Mining Co.	35 1/2
Atchafalpa	121 1/2
Atchafalpa pfd	105 1/2
Atlantic Coast Line	135
Baltimore & Ohio	117 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio pfd	92
Bethlehem Steel	33 1/2
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	79 1/2
Canadian Pacific	179 1/2
Central Leather	47 1/2
Central Leather pfd	107 1/2
Central of New Jersey	30 1/2
Chesapeake & Ohio	84 1/2
Chicago & Alton	66
Chicago Great Western	26 1/2
Chicago & Northwestern	181 1/2

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Delaware & Hudson 184 1/2
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Denver & Rio Grande pfd 83 1/2
Distillers' Securities 36 1/2
Erie 49 1/2
Erie 1st pfd 38 1/2
Erie 2nd pfd 38 1/2
General Electric 159 1/2
Great Northern pfd 142 1/2
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Toledo, St. Louis & West. 82 1/2
Toledo, St. Louis & West. pfd 70 1/2
Union Pacific 201 1/2
Union Pacific pfd 103 1/2
United States Realty 82
United States Rubber 52 1/2
United States Steel 90 1/2
United States Steel pfd 126 1/2
Utah Copper 59 1/2
Virginia Carolina Chemical 26
Wabash 24 1/2
Wabash pfd 59 1/2
Western Maryland 52 1/2
Westinghouse Electric 82 1/2
Western Union 76 1/2
Wheeling & Lake Erie 9 1/2
Wisconsin Central 48
Standard Oil 66 1/2
Pittsburg Coal 28 1/2
American Steel & Wire 64 1/2
American Steam Laundry 64 1/2
United Dry Goods 122 1/2

Chicago Grain Market.

CHICAGO, ILLS., Dec. 28.—Reports of unfavorable weather in Argentina gave the wheat market a strong start here today, but prices declined sharply in the final half of the session, owing to profit-taking. Clearing quotations showed net losses of 1/4 to 3/4 cents. Coarse grain and provision also developed considerable weakness and closed at about the bottom.

Articles	Open	High	Low	Close
Wheat—				
Dec.	119	119 1/2	117 1/2	118
May	111 1/2	112 1/2	110 1/2	110 1/2
July	102 1/2	102 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2
Corn—				
Dec.	63 1/2	64 1/2	62 1/2	63 1/2
May	67	67 1/2	66 1/2	66 1/2
July	67	67 1/2	66 1/2	66 1/2
Oats—				
Dec.	44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2
May	45 1/2	45 1/2	45 1/2	45 1/2
July	43 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2
Meat Pork, per bbl.—				
Jan.	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2
May	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2
July	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2
Lard, per 100 lbs.—				
Jan.	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2
May	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2
July	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2
Short Ribs, per 100 lbs.—				
Jan.	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2
May	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2
July	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2

Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Cotton: Spot closed quiet; ten points higher; middling uplands, 15.85; middling gulf, 16.10; no sales.

	Open	High	Low	Close
Dec.	15.55	15.60	15.50	15.55
Jan.	15.60	15.65	15.48	15.57
Feb.	15.75	15.75	15.75	15.75
March	15.91	15.91	15.81	15.88
April	16.12	16.12	16.02	16.05
May	16.12	16.12	16.02	16.12
June	16.12	16.12	16.02	16.02
July	16.12	16.12	16.02	16.11
Aug.	16.12	16.12	16.02	16.11
Sept.	16.12	16.12	16.02	16.11
Oct.	16.12	16.12	16.02	16.11

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Money on call, firm; 5 1/2 per cent; ruling rate, 5 per cent; closing bid, 5; offered at 5 1/2. Time loans, quiet and steady; sixty days, 4 1/2 per cent; ninety days, 4 1/2 per cent; six months, 4 1/2 per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 5 to 5 1/2 per cent; sterling exchange weaker, with actual business in bankers' bills at 4 1/2 per cent for sixty day bills, and at 4 1/2 per cent for demand. Com-

mercial bills, 4.83 1/2 to 4.84 1/2. Bar silver, 52 1/2. Mexican dollars, 44.

Treasury Statement.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 28.—The condition of the treasury at the beginning of business today was as follows:

Trust funds:

Gold coin, \$879,303,869.
Silver dollars, \$488,060,000.
Silver dollars of 1890, \$3,955,900.
Silver certificates outstanding, \$488,060,000.

General fund:

Standard silver dollars in general fund, \$1,421,831.
Current liabilities, \$108,040,426.
Working balance in treasury offices, \$24,160,365.

In banks to credit of treasurer of the United States, \$37,676,943.
Scholarship silver coin, \$15,559,603.
Minor coin, \$1,019,393.
Total balance in general fund, \$79,332,015.

Baltimore Grain Market.

BALTIMORE, MD., Dec. 28.—WHEAT—cashier; spot contract, 1.21; southern on grade, 1.13 1/2.

CORN—cashier; spot contract, 63 1/2; southern white corn, 64 1/2; southern yellow corn, 63 1/2 to 64 1/2.

OATS—firm; No. 2 white, 50 1/2 to 51; No. 2 mixed, 50.

RYE—No. 2 western, 80 1/2.

MAN WHO CAPTURED "GENERAL" IS DEAD

Passing of Aged Irishman Recalls Wild Chase After Locomotive During War.

(By Associated Press.)

ATLANTA, GA., Dec. 28.—Anthony Murphy, aged 80, a pioneer citizen of the South and one of the men who pursued and captured the famous engine "General" when the latter had been seized and carried off from Marietta, Ga., by federal raiders, during the Civil war, died here today.

Murphy was born in Ireland and came to this country when he was 16 years old. He became one of the constructors of the Western & Atlantic Railroad, but when the war broke out entered the Confederate service, and by his skill in mechanics was assigned by Governor Brown, father of the present governor, to assemble men to make guns. On April 12, 1862, the Federal secret service arranged to seize a train at Marietta, cut off the engine, run it from Big Shanty, Ga., to Chattanooga, Tenn., burning bridges and cutting wires between the two places and thus cutting the Confederate line of communication.

Almost Successful.

The plan was carried out almost successfully. The federal officers boarded the train at Marietta, Ga., and while the passengers and crew were at breakfast at Big Shanty, seven miles north of Marietta, cut off the engine and started on a mad race of destruction.

The action of the Federal party, who posed as Southern refugees anxious to join the Confederate army, aroused the suspicion of Mr. Murphy, who was then foreman of the Western & Atlantic round house at Big Shanty. When the "General" started on its wild race, Murphy and two others started on foot in pursuit, seized a hand car later, ran it to Etowah, Ga., where the engine "Texas" was impressed.

Captured After Wild Chase.

For fifty-one miles the race continued to Tlingot, Ga., where the "General" was captured, as the men in charge attempted to burn a bridge. Several of the Federal officers were summarily executed. But the plan of the Union forces to cut the Confederate communications was defeated. Although the engines were of a crude type, most of the race was made at the rate of sixty miles an hour. Murphy was the engineer and Jeff Cain, the train engineer, and Captain Fuller, the conductor, bled for him. The war left Murphy penniless, but he set to work again cheerfully, and when he died, had amassed a fortune of half a million dollars in the saw mill business.

BABES BURNED TO DEATH.

Had Been Locked in Home While Mother Visited Neighbors.

MANASSAS, VA., Dec. 28.—Two children, aged 7 months and 3 years respectively, were cremated in their home in Manassas, late Saturday morning. Florence Thornton, the mother of the children, locked them up in the home, while she went to call on neighbors with the intention of returning home in a short while. She had been absent scarcely thirty minutes when one of the Western Union telegraph force discovered flames bursting through windows of the lower story of the building. He reached the scene in time to rescue one 4-year-old child through a window. Breaking into the house, he searched all the rooms except one on the lower floor, which was filled with smoke and flames.

It was beneath the smoldering debris of the unexplored room that the partially charred bodies of the two children were found. The rescued child says the children were playing with lighted straw which set fire to the bed clothing, which statement is generally accepted as the origin of the blaze.

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